GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF BIO-DIESEL
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a project has been finalised to produce Ratanjot `Jatropa` at the large scale to produce `bio-diesel` in the country;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government have sanctioned several crores for the same; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SMT SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Ministry of Rural Development have been made the nodal Ministry to implement the National Mission on Bio-Diesel which proposes, inter-alia, the plantation of Jatropha, Curcas on a large scale. Recently an inter-ministerial meeting was convened by that Ministry to discuss the various aspects of implementation of the Mission.